



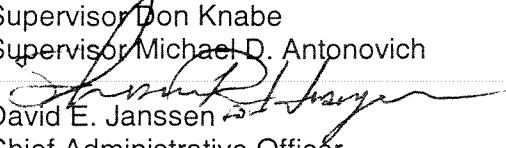
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE RETROACTIVE AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICES AT OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER, HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER, AND KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER (ITEM NO. 30, AGENDA OF AUGUST 12, 2003)

Item No. 30 on your August 12, 2003 agenda is the Department of Health Services' (DHS) request for Board approval of 13 retroactive agreements for services at Olive View - UCLA Medical Center, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center and Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center. This action is not in compliance with the Board-approved policy to ensure the timely submission of contracts for Board approval.

Despite the retroactive nature of the agreements, we approved placement of this item on the agenda for consideration by your Board as a policy matter, because the agreements primarily involve direct patient care services. Further, the Department is taking corrective measures in order to more efficiently plan and process service agreements, including the development of a master agreement that will cover a wide range of patient care services and will allow DHS facilities to provide patients with needed services in an expedited manner. The master agreement is expected to be presented for Board approval by the end of the calendar year. In addition, DHS senior management has met with leadership staff at the hospitals to reinforce the policies and procedures related to the procurement of services, and we understand that corrective action has been taken in instances where facility administrative staff failed to take appropriate action in the procurement process.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me or your staff may contact Dennis Conte at (213) 893-9741.

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